

Forgiveness

Tehillim 32:1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, Whose sin is covered.

v2 Blessed is the man to whom יהוה imputes no crookedness, And in whose spirit there is no deceit.

v3 When I kept silent, my bones became old through my groaning all the day.

v4 For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my sap was turned into the drougths of summer. Selah.

v5 I acknowledged my sin to You, and my crookedness I did not hide. I have said, "I confess my transgressions to יהוה," And You forgave the crookedness of my sin. Selah.

v6 Therefore, let every kind one pray to You While *You* might be found; Even in a flood of great waters They would not reach him.

v7 You are my hiding place; You preserve me from distress; You surround me with songs of deliverance. Selah.

v8 "Let Me instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; Let Me counsel, My eye be on you.

Tehillim 51:1 Show me favor, O Elohim, According to Your kindness; According to the greatness of Your compassion, Blot out my transgressions.

v2 Wash me completely from my guilt, And cleanse me from my sin.

v3 For I know my transgressions, And my sin is ever before me.

v4 Against You, You alone, have I sinned, And done evil in Your eyes; That You might be proven right in Your words; Be clear when You judge.

v5 Lo, I was brought forth in crookedness, And in sin my mother conceived me.

v6 Lo, You have desired truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden

part You make me know wisdom.

v7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I am clean; Wash me, and I am whiter than snow.

v8 Let me hear joy and gladness, Let the bones You have crushed rejoice.

v9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my crookednesses.

v10 Create in me a clean heart, O Elohim, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

v11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Set-apart Spirit from me.

v12 Restore to me the joy of Your deliverance, And uphold me, steadfast spirit!

v13 Let me teach transgressors Your ways, So that sinners turn back to You.

v14 Deliver me from blood-guilt, O Elohim, Elohim of my deliverance, Let my tongue sing aloud of Your righteousness.

v15 O יהוה, open my lips, And that my mouth declare Your praise.

v16 For You do not desire slaughtering, or I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering.

v17 The slaughterings of Elohim are a broken spirit, A heart broken and crushed, O Elohim, These You do not despise.

v18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Tsiyon; Build the walls of Yerushalayim.

v19 Then You would delight in slaughterings of righteousness, In burnt offering and complete burnt offering; Then young bulls would be offered on Your altar.

Yirmeyahu 31:34 “And no longer shall they teach, each one his neighbor, and each one his brother, saying, ‘Know יהוה,’ for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares יהוה. “For I shall forgive their crookedness, and remember their sin no more.”

Mikah 7:18 Who is an El like You – taking away crookedness and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His inheritance? He shall not retain His wrath forever, for He Himself delights in kindness.

v19 He shall turn back, He shall have compassion on us, He shall trample upon our crookednesses! And You throw all our sins into the depths of the sea!

Yeshayahu 44:21 “Remember these *matters*, O Yaaqob, and Yisrael, for you are My servant! I have formed you, you are My servant, O Yisrael, do not forget Me!

v22 “I shall wipe out your transgressions like a cloud, and your sins like a mist. Return to Me, for I shall redeem you.”

We need forgiveness for sins, as seen in these verses. Sinful deeds we did, sins of omission, sins of pride, lust of the eyes, evil intent, being stubborn, or denial of truth. They cloud our ability to listen, prevent us from learning and growing. They become a weakness, making us susceptible to attack. At the very least, we become complacent, lukewarm and slowly drift away.

Read these verses again.